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1. FOLLOWING IS ROUGH TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF TELEGRAM SENT
BY PRESIDENT MICOMBERO TO PRESIDENT NYERERE ON JULY 09: BEGIN
QUOTE

A. MR PRESIDENT AND DEAR BROTHER,

B. BASED ON INFORMATION ACCORDING TO WHICH REGULAR
TROOPS OF YOUR ARMED FORCES ARE MASSED ALONG THE TANZANIAN-
BURUNDI BORDER, I SEND YOU MY WARM THANKS FOR THESE MEASURES
WHICH I AM SURE ARE DESIGNED TO GUARANTEE SUCURITY AT THE
BORDER OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES. THIS WILL PREVENT ELEMENTS
HOSTILE TO THE FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO
COUNTRIES FROM AGAIN BRINGING INTO QUESTION THE FRATERNAL
BONDS WHICH HAVE ALWAYS EXISTED BETWEEN THE TWO BROTHER
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PEOPLES, TANZANIAN AND BARUNDI.

C. I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SUGGEST TO YOUR EXCELLENCY
THAT OUR RESPECTIVE FORCES DEFENDING OUR NATIONAL SECURITY
AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY GIVE EACH OTHER A HAND IN
CONSOLIDATING THE INDEPENDENCE OF OUR COUNTRIES AND THE
LIBERATION OF ALL AFRICA.

D. MAY I ALSO ASK YOU, MISTER PRESIDENT AND VERY
DEAR BROTHER, TO ORDER THE LIFTING OF THE BLOCKADE
ON MERCHANDISE TO AND FROM BURUNDI, INASMUCH AS THIS MEASURE
IS STRANGLING A WHOLE PEOPLE ENGAGED IN THE BATTLE AGAINST
IMPERIALISM AND AGAINST ANY FORM OF EXPLOITATION.

E. MAY THE FRIENDSHIP AND SOLIDARITY BETWEEN OUR TWO
BROTHER PEOPLES DEVELOP FROM DAY TO DAY AND MAY OUR ARMED
FORCES FRATERNIZE FOR THE GOOD OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND OF
ALL AFRICA. UNQUOTE
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